

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 91,297-O)

In the application of:

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For: Inhibition of HTLV-III by
Exogenous Oligonucleotides

Examiner: L.E. Crane

Group Art Unit: 1211

RESPONSE TO THE EXAMINER'S ACTION MADE FINALAssistant Commissioner for Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please consider the following remarks made in response to the Examiner's Action made final.


REMARKS**Rejection for obviousness-type double patenting**

All pending claims remain rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over U.S. Patent No. 4,806,463 and allowed application Serial No. 07/882,073. In response, enclosed herewith are two terminal disclaimers, one corresponding to the '463 patent and the other corresponding to the '073 application.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION (37 CFR 1.8a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted by facsimile to the Patent and Trademark Office (FAX No.: (703)308-4556) on April 23, 1996.

Date: April 23, 1996


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Also attached hereto are photocopies of the assignments and assignment recordal sheets that establish the chain of title and ownership interest of the assignee.¹ The assignee of record is the Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology, which, subsequent to the execution and filing of the assignments, changed its name to the Worcester Foundation for Biomedical Research. Accordingly, also attached hereto is a copy of a change of name certificate from the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts setting forth the name change. This document is concurrently being submitted to the PTO assignment division for recordal.

In view of the foregoing, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

If there are any questions concerning this Response or this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney as indicated below.

Date: April 23, 1996

Respectfully submitted,

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¹The Applicants note for the record that the Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document for application serial no. 06/867,231 incorrectly recites the filing date of the application as May 22, 1986, when, in fact, the filing date was May 23, 1986.